

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
COMMISSION DIRECTIVE**

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| ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER | <input type="checkbox"/>            | DATE       | <u>July 29, 2021</u>       |
| MOTOR CARRIER MATTER  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | DOCKET NO. | <u>2021-88-E/2021-89-E</u> |
| UTILITIES MATTER      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ORDER NO.  | <u>2021-520</u>            |

**THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.**

**ORDER SETTING THIRD-PARTY'S CONSULTANT'S SCOPE OF WORK AND RELATED DEADLINES**

**SUBJECT:**

[DOCKET NO. 2021-88-E](#) – Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A);

[DOCKET NO. 2021-89-E](#) – Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A);

-and-

[DOCKET NO. 2021-90-E](#) – Duke Energy Progress, LLC's 2021 Avoided Cost Proceeding Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20(A) - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration the Scope of Work and Proposed Schedules/Due Dates/Deadlines Related to London Economics International LLC.

**COMMISSION ACTION:**

I move that the Commission adopt the following scopes of work and schedules for the Independent Consultant for the Dominion and the Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC avoided cost proceedings:

**Docket No. 2021-88-E – Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated**

The Consultant's Scope of Work will be as follows:

- Review all filings on the PSCSC Docket Management System, including all prefiled testimony
- Verify the avoided cost methodology and calculations included in all Parties' testimony
- If necessary, file data requests with the Parties
- Write and file the Consultant's Independent Report
- The Consultant's Independent Report must be based on the evidence of the hearing record, according to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20.
- The Consultant's Independent Report shall serve as its pre-filed testimony and exhibits.
- The Consultant's Independent Report must be filed with the Commission at [contact@psc.sc.gov](mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov) – I repeat [contact@psc.sc.gov](mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov) -- and served on all parties to the case.
- The Consultant will respond, if necessary, to discovery from parties regarding the Consultant's Independent Report.
- Should the Consultant need to communicate with the Commission and with any party in

the case, the Consultant must file such communication at [contact@psc.sc.gov](mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov) **and** will serve all the parties to the case. The expert should not need to talk with the Commission staff unless there are scheduling or procedural issues. And that would be the same if the consultant needed to talk to the Commissioners, I am pretty sure that is going to be for procedural scheduling matters.

- Watch/Observe all the hearing(s) via livestream
- Also, the Consultant may be required to testify before the Commission regarding the Consultant's Independent Report and subject to cross examination by the parties and questions from the Commission.

Now here are a few Important Dates and Deadlines that will apply:

For the Dominion Case the

Hearing begins – August 18, 2021

The Consultant's Only Report is Due - September 16, 2021

The Discovery Deadline including the Consultant's Deposition to be completed by the Parties, the deadline is – October 5, 2021

The Consultant's Testimony and Cross Examination followed by Commissioners' Questions is scheduled for October 6, 2021 thru October 7, 2021

**Docket No. 2021-89-E – As for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Docket No. 2021-90-E – Duke Energy Progress, LLC**

The Consultant's Scope of Work is as follows:

- Review all filings on the PSCSC Docket Management System, including all prefiled testimony and settlement testimony
- Verify the avoided cost methodology and calculations contained within the Stipulation of Agreement and the Stipulation Testimony
- If necessary, file data requests with the Parties
- Write and file the Consultant's Independent Report on the Stipulation of Agreement filed in Docket Nos. 2021-89-E and 2021-90-E
- The Consultant's Independent Report must be based on the evidence of the hearing record, according to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-20.
- The Consultant's Independent Report shall serve as its pre-filed testimony and exhibits.
- The Consultant's Independent Report must be filed with the Commission at [contact@psc.sc.gov](mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov) and served on all parties to the case.
- The Consultant will respond, if necessary, to discovery from parties regarding the Consultant's Independent Report.
- Should the Consultant need to communicate with the Commission and with any party in the case, the Consultant must file such communication at [contact@psc.sc.gov](mailto:contact@psc.sc.gov) **and** serve all the parties to the case. Again, I don't imagine that will happen much, if at all, but if it does the consultant needs to be very careful not to violate the Commission's rules of *ex parte* rules.
- Watch/Observe all the hearing(s) via livestream
- The Consultant may be required to testify before the Commission regarding the Consultant's Independent Report and subject to cross examination by the parties and questions from the Commission.

The Deadlines in the Duke Companies cases are as follows:

Hearing begins – August 2, 2021

Consultant's Report Due – August 23, 2021

Discovery Deadline including the Consultant's Deposition to be completed by the Parties is – September 10, 2021

Consultant's Testimony and Cross Examination followed by Commissioners' Questions is scheduled for -- September 16, 2021 and September 17, 2021

Madam Chair and fellow Commissioners that is my motion.

PRESIDING: Belser

SESSION: Special

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

|             | MOTION                              | YES                                 | NO                       | OTHER |                         |
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| BELSER      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Present in Hearing Room |
| CASTON      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Voting via WebEx        |
| ERVIN       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Voting via WebEx        |
| POWERS      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Present in Hearing Room |
| THOMAS      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Present in Hearing Room |
| C. WILLIAMS | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Present in Hearing Room |
| J. WILLIAMS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |       | Present in Hearing Room |

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RECORDED BY: J. Schmieding

